## Floriculture Crops, 2001 By Stephanie J. Houston

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The 2001 wholesale value of sales by commercial flower and foliage producers in Pennsylvania totaled \$180.6 million, up 9.9 million from 2000. Pennsylvania ranked sixth nationally in wholesale sales of floriculture crops.

The wholesale value of cut flowers sold in 2001 totaled \$4.6 million, up \$0.1 million from 2000. The value of sales at wholesale of potted flowering plants was \$41.9 million, up \$2.1 million from 2000. Pennsylvania ranked fourth nationally for the value of sales at wholesale of potted flowering plants. Sales of foliage plants for indoor or patio use were \$3.4, up \$0.7 million from 2000. Sales of all

bedding and garden plants in flats, pots and baskets totaled \$75.4 million, down \$7.0 million from 2000.

The total covered growing area for Pennsylvania in 2001 was 24.0 million square feet, up from 23.2 million square feet in 2000. The types of covered growing area were: glass greenhouses, 4.1 million square feet; fiberglass and other rigid greenhouses, 3.0 million square feet; film plastic (single/multi) greenhouses, 16.4 million square feet: and shade and temporary cover, 557,000 square feet. Growers also used 493 acres of open grown in 2001. There were 745 growers in 2001, compared to 777 growers in 2000.

Pennsylvania: Number of Growers, Reported Gross Value of Sales, 2000-2001

Value of Sales	2000	2001
	Number	
\$10,000 - \$19,999	102	95
\$20,000 - \$39,999	135	117
\$40,000 - \$49,999	67	60
\$50,000 - \$99,999	233	224
\$100,000 - \$499,999	190	190
\$500,000 or More	50	59
TOTAL	777	745
	1,000 Dollars	
Expanded Wholesale Value <sup>1</sup>	170,754	180,604

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Wholesale value of sales as reported by growers with \$100,000 or more in sales of floriculture crops plus a calculated wholesale value of sales for growers with sales below \$100,000. The value of sales for growers below the \$100,000 level was estimated by multiplying the number of growers in each size group by the mid-point of each dollar value range.

Pennsylvania: Growing Area by Type of Cover, All Operations with \$10,000+ Sales, 2000-2001

All Operations with \$10,000+ Sales, 2000-2001				
Type of Cover	2000	2001		
	Number			
Total Number of Growers	777	745		
	1,000 Square Feet			
Glass Greenhouses	4,128	4,078		
Fiberglass & Other Rigid Greenhouses	2,672	2,997		
Film Plastic (single/multi) Greenhouses	16,010	16,368		
TOTAL GREENHOUSE COVER	22,810	23,443		
Shade & Temporary Cover	419	557		
TOTAL COVERED AREA	23,229	24,000		
	Acres			
Open Ground	575	493		

## Pennsylvania: Growing Area by Type of Cover, All Operations with \$100,000+ Sales, 2000-2001

Type of Cover	2000	2001
	Number	
Total Number of Growers	240	249
	1,000 Square Feet	
Glass Greenhouses	3,378	3,389
Fiberglass & Other Rigid Greenhouses	1,940	2,212
Film Plastic (single/multi) Greenhouses	11,745	12,426
TOTAL GREENHOUSE COVER	17,063	18,027
Shade & Temporary Cover	256	441
TOTAL COVERED AREA	17,319	18,468
	Acres	
Open Ground	250	309

Pennsylvania: Floriculture Crops - Wholesale Value of Sales by Category for Operations with \$100,000+ Sales, 2000-2001

Category	2000	2001
	1,000 Dollars	
Total Cut Flowers	4,454	4,586
Total Potted Flowering Plants	39,782	41,880
Total Foliage for Indoor or Patio Use	2,652	3,383
Total Bedding/Garden Plants 1	82,410	75,447
Annual Bedding/Garden Plants	70,020	59,811
Herbaceous Perennial Plants	12,390	15,636
Propagative Materials	15,386	30,872
TOTAL Wholesale Value - Reported Crops	144,684	156,168

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes Annual Bedding Plants and Herbaceous Perennials.